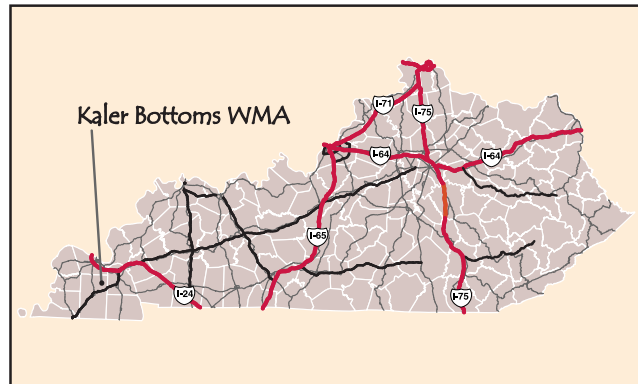
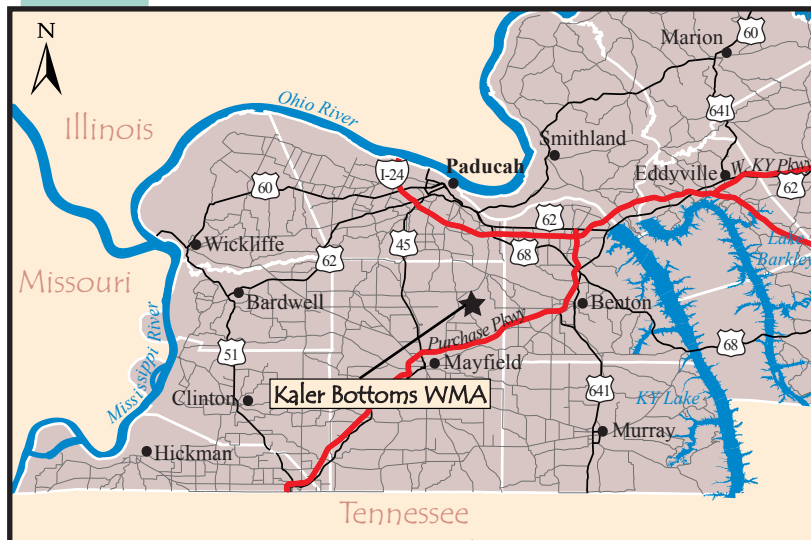


Kaler Bottoms WMA General Information



Directions:

From Paducah - Go south on Hwy. 45 to Hwy. 849 in Graves County. Go east on 849 seven miles to the junction of Hwy. 131. Go south on Hwy. 131 for 1.8 miles to Kaler WMA. Additional access points are available off Hwy. 301. From the junction of Hwy. 131 & 301, go south on 301 0.9 miles to Wildlife Reserve Rd. Drive north 0.3 miles to WMA. Access the south end from Tim Road. From the junction of Hwy 131 & 301 drive south 2.8 miles to Tim Rd. Go east on Tim Rd. 1 mile to Kaler WMA.



Kaler Bottoms WMA Information:

The Kaler Bottoms Wildlife Management Area is located in northeastern Graves County within the west fork of the Clarks River watershed. This 1840 acre WMA is owned by the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources. The habitat is primarily bottomland hardwood forest with a significant percentage of semi-permanent aquatic wetlands. A few small crop fields and one small seasonally flooded impoundment exists on the south end of the area. Kaler WMA can be accessed readily from Highways 131 or 301, or from Tim Rd. on the south end.

Kaler Bottoms WMA is popular with hunters, hikers, and wildlife viewers that have the desire to get well away from heavily used areas. The wet, swampy habitats make access challenging, so pressure by public users is typically low to moderate. Kaler is open under statewide regulations throughout the year.

WMA Management Objectives:

The management objectives on Kaler Bottoms WMA are:

- 1) to manage wildlife areas toward the creation, enhancement, and sustainability of permanent wildlife habitats and populations;
- 2) to manage areas for the preservation and enhancement of public outdoor recreational opportunities;
- 3) to restore wildlife species to their natural habitats;
- 4) to provide opportunities for fish and wildlife education;
- 5) to provide demonstrations of sound wildlife management practices.

General Guidelines:

All specific information on area use for hunting, fishing, and other activities can be found in one of the many guides published by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources or by calling 1-800-858-1549.

1. Vehicles must remain on maintained roads.
2. Parking is limited to areas provided near gates and graveled areas.
3. Do not block gates or access roads.
4. Access beyond gates is by foot travel only.
5. No ATV's, camping, open fires, or horseback riding is permitted on WMAs. Except ATV's are allowed on designated ADA areas with proper permits and horseback riding is allowed on designated horseback riding trails as marked on the map. Not all WMAs have ADA areas or horseback riding trails.
6. Access to the WMA across private land is by landowner permission only.
7. Please respect private property. Area boundaries are marked by signs and yellow paint.
8. Hunters shall not discharge a firearm within 100 yards of a boat ramp, a residence, or occupied building. This applies whether or not the building is on the WMA.
9. Please refer to the current Kentucky Hunting and Trapping and Sport Fishing and Boating Guides for hunting, fishing and boating information.

Telephone Numbers:

WMA Manager:

270-753-6913

KDFWR Information line:

1-800-858-1549

Telecheck:

1-800-CHK-GAME (1-800-245-4263)

Licenses/Quota hunt applications:

1-877-598-2401

To Report Wildlife Violations Only:

1-800-25A-LERT (1-800-252-5378)

